

**RESPONSE - RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**Application No. 10/721,156**  
**Attorney Docket No. EI-7615**

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**Application No.: 10/721,156**

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**For: MIXED METAL CATALYST  
ADDITIVE AND METHOD FOR  
USE IN HYDROCARBONACEOUS  
FUEL COMBUSTION SYSTEM**

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### RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION - RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

**Sir:**

Applicant submits this response to the Official Office Action mailed June 30, 2006, which imposed a restriction requirement.

In response thereto, Applicant elects Group II, claims 24-37, drawn to a method of improving the combustion of and the slag resulting from the combustion of a fuel, classified in class 431, subclass 2. This election is without traverse. For the Examiner's convenience, this Response is accompanied by a listing of the claims of the elected invention described above.

The Applicant has withdrawn claims 1-23 and 38-40, the non-elected claims, and reserves the right to further prosecute these claims.



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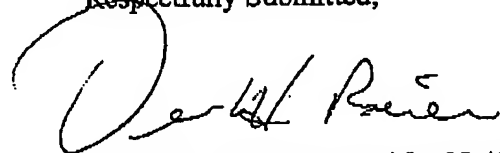
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Fees

As this Response is submitted within the shortened statutory period, it is believed that no fees are due. However, in the event the calculations are incorrect, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 05-1372. In the event the calculation regarding timely filing is incorrect, an appropriate extension of time to respond is also most respectfully requested.

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